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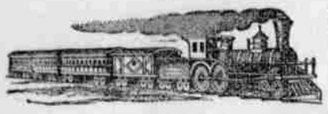

TIME TABLE:

Between BOWIE and GERONIMO.

Taking effect Monday, May 11th at 1:00 p. m.

No. 1.			No. 2.
8 50..a.m..	Lv.... Geronimo ‡	Ar..	8 10..p.m
9 10..a.m..	Ar.. Fort Thomas §	Lv.	7 50p.m
9 30..a.m..	Lv.. Fort Thomas §	Ar.	7 45p.m
10 00..a.m..	Lv.... Mathewsville ‡	... Lv.	7 08..pm
...a.m..	Ar.. Pima §	Lv.	6 53..pm
10 15..a.m..	Lv.. Pima §	Ar.	6 48..pm
10 27..a.m..	Lv..... Cenural ‡	..... Lv.	6 37..pm
10 42..a.m..	Lv..... Thatcher ‡	..... Lv.	6 25..pm
11 00..a.m..	Ar.. Safford §	Lv.	6 08..pm
11 10..a.m..	Lv.. Safford §	Ar.	6 03..pm
...a.m..	Ar.. Solomon §	Lv.	5 45..pm
11 27..a.m..	Lv.. Solomon §	Ar.	5 40..pm
11 53..a.m..	Lv...Rail N Ranch ‡	... Lv.	5 14..pm
12 05..a.m..	Lv...Big Wind Mill ‡	... Lv.	5 02..pm
12 10..a.m....	Lv...20 Mile Tank ‡	... Lv.	4 58..p.m
12 18..a.m..	Lv...Bailey's Wells ‡	... Lv.	4 47..pm
12 44..a.m..	Lv...Summit Spur ‡	... Lv.	4 26..p.m
1 15..p.m..	Ar..... Bowie ‡	..... Lv.	4 00..pm

Mountain Time

Trains Nos. 1 and 2 run daily except Sunday, connecting with Southern Pacific R. R. at Bowie for all points east and west, and with Layton's stage line at Fort Thomas for San Carlos, Globe City and Tonto Basin

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TIME TABLE:

Going North	Distance from Lordsburg	No. Station	Time table No. 11 Jan. 1. 1895	Distance between stations	Going South
No 2					No. 1
12 00 m		1	†Lds'burg‡		10 20a m
1 00 p m	20	2	††Summit †	20	9 20a m
2 00 p m	40	3	Ar Duncan†	20	8 20a m
2 10 p m	...	..	Lv Duncan‡	...	8 10a m
2 35 p m	47	4	○ † Sheld'n†	7	7 45a m
2 48 p m	50	5	○ † Yorks †	3	7 38a m
3 05 p m	55	6	†Coronado †§	5	7 25a m
3 25 p m	59	7	†Guthrie †	4	7 10a m
3 55 p m	64	8	○†§Siding †	5	6 45a m
4 00 p m	66	9	†§ Siding †	2	6 40a m
4 30 p m	71	10	Ar Clifton †‡	5	6 15a m

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LOCAL NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Items of Local Interest Gathered by Reporters on their Rounds.

DOINGS IN AND ABOUT TOWN

Breezy Little Notes of General Interets Picked up Here and There.

Judge and Mrs. Morrman spent last Tuesday in town.

The best stock of goods found in Safford at J. T. Owens. 7-24-tf

Mr. John Merrill, of St. David arrived in Thatcher last Monday evening to attend the funeral of his brother.

Cowboy hats, boots and slickers at John Blake & Co's. 3-27-tf.

Rev. G. H. Adams D. D. will preach in the Methodist church Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. All are invited to attend.

Cash or merchandise paid for Wheat at John Blake & Cos. tf

The opening of the Gila bakery last Wednesday night was quite a grand affair. Everything was arranged in metropolitan style and all present enjoyed themselves. Music was furnished and dancing was indulged in.

OLD PRIVAT STOCK Tom Howe Whiskey, Kentucky's finest product John Blake & Co. Agents. tf

Jos. Woolsey, of Thatcher, has received an appointment as guard at the Yuma penitentiary and left last Wednesday to take his new position. We are glad Joe has received this apponitment, and he will make a good guard.

An elegant assortment of dress goods at John Blake & Co's. 3-27-tf.

As the train left Bowie last Monday night the coupling broke and left the passenger coach standing while the balance of the train proceeded about three miles before the engineer discovered what had happened. "Happy Tom" was on board, telling a story at the time of the accident. That story was never finished, but it is supposed that the weight of it broke the coupling.

Cowboy saddles, bridles and spurs. Patronize Clarkson's home make, at John Blake & Co's. 3-27-tf

Dr. O. D. Weeks and Dr. C. J. Pollock, an eye specialist gave lectures on different diseases in Jacobson's hall last Tuesday and Wednsday night's to crowded houses. "Happy Tom" was also there to create fun. They remained here only two days and then went to Solomonville. We understand they will visit Clifton and Morenci also. Dr. Pollock is a stranger here but is said to be an expert optician.

Two hundred tons of alfalfa hay for cash, cheap, loose or bailed. Write for prices F. O. B. cars, here. Alexander Bros. Fort Thomas and Geronimo, A. T. 4-17-tf

E. L. Shaw, of the wholesale and retail firm of Solomon & Wickersham, was in the valley again this week in the interest of his firm, and did a good business with our merchants. This firm is doing an immense wholesale business in the valley. Mr. Shaw has now made arrangements to make regular 30-day trips through the county. Merchants can depend that goods ordered from this firm will be just as represented.

WANTED AT ONCE: Active agents for each county. Exclusive control and no risk. Will clear 12 to 25 hundred doallars a year. Enclose stamp for full particulars or 25c for $1 sample. Big Rapids Mineral Water Co., Big Rapids, Mich. 7-31-2m.

The people of Solomonville, by private subscription are plastering the court house on the outside. We are glad they are doing this as the appearance of the court house has always been a disgrace, and during the little time there is left for the county seat to remain in Solomonville we would like the court house to look nice, then with a nice hard finish it will sell for more when the county seat comes to Safford.

Mrs. Rhodie Noah, of this place, was taken in the night with cramping pains and the next day diarrhœa set in. She took half a bottle of blackberry cordial but got no relief. She then sent to me to see if I had anything that would help her. I sent her a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy and the first dose relived her. Another of our neighbors had been sick for about a week aud had tried different remedies for diarrhœa bnt kept getting worse. I sent him this same remedy. Only four doses of it were required to cure him. He says he owes his recovery to this wonderful remedy.—Mrs. Mary Sibley, Sidney, Mich. For sale by all dealers in medicine. *

BETTER GOVERNMENT.

The Problem Presented by our Pima Correspondent—Pioneer Day, etc.

EDITOR GUARDIAN:—I have been waiting for sometime to see who would be the one to step forward and discuss our political situation, but it seems there is no one inclined to do so. Now I would ask what are we going to do? Are we going to sit down and let the same old gang put candidates in the field for our county offices and run the election next November in the same old style, with lots of good promises and more bad whishey? And then when they get into office take it upon themselves to raise the farmers' milch cows and work poinies and orchards and wire fences and all other improvements to double what they are worth, and by doing this retard the progress of the whole community. Are not the effects of this kind of work made manifest already? One half of the farmers who have poor houses and poorly improved city property will say they would build better houses and make other improvements if it were not for the high taxes on such property. The stockman is willing to get along with a cheap or poor house; all he cares for is a shelter for he well knows that he can not get his improvements in as he does his stock at about half their valuation. I would again ask are we going to calmly submit to be run by this class of men or are we going to step out and declare our rights as citizens of Graham county? Now is the time to act. Who will call the people together en masse and put men in the field as candidates after the style of W. J. Bryan, men of good character, who will spend their leisure hours at good, comfortable homes with their families, instead of at the saloon or worse places.

Now we are dissatisfied, and not without cause, and want to move the county seat, but I do not think this will ever be done as long as we let whiskey run our elections. We have hundreds of good men in Graham county, who, if elected would bring about a great change in this respect, then men of means and influence would come to our aid and taxes would be reduced, the county seat would be moved and our county would boom. We would soon become one of the wealthiest counties in Arizona. But I fear we will not do it and the only way I can see out of the present deplorable condition is to call the women to our aid. Show them as much respect and give them as many rights, politically, as we do the men, then perhaps we can do something, and there is one thing certain, they will not sell their votes for whiskey.

Our celebration on the 24th was not what it should have been as Pioneer day. Our citizens are crying out against steer tying on such days. It is fast leading to barbarism and is very dangerous sport. Wm. McClintock, had his leg broken while competing for the prize at steer tying, but is getting along very nicely under the care of Dr. L. E. Wightman. But taking the day as a whole it was one of considerable enjoyment, and concluded with two nice dancing parties in the evening.

Mrs. G. W. Williams, who has been very sick for the last two months with ulceration of the stomach, has taken a relapse and is still very sick.

Judging from the way our school trustees are operating we are to have an improvement in our schools next term. They will need five good teachers in this district.

The heavy rains have injured some of the grain in the stack, but they have helped out the corn wonderfully, and an unusual large acreage has been planted.

MONO.

Old People.

Old people who require medicine to regulate the bowles and kidneys will find the true remedy in Electric Bitters. This medicine does not stimulate and contains no whiskey nor other intoxicant, but acts as a tonic and alternative. It acts mildly on the stomach and bowles, adding strength and giving tone to the organs, thereby aiding Nature in the performance of the functions. Electric Bitters is an excellant appetizer and aids digestion. Old people find it just exactly what they need. Price fifty cents and $1.00 per bottle at all Drug Stores and General Stores.

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JENNINGS and GRAY'S 4-17-tf

A STRANGE TALE.

The Salt Lake Murderer Wanted in Sweden—Poisoned Forty—Fourteen Died.

A new story has come to light concerning Rev. Fred Hermans, the Salt Lake murderer, who preached a sermon in Butte and also disposed of the clothing of one of his victims at the same time, and who is well known in Minnesota and northwest Wisconsin, where he has wives.

If the story is true Hermans is wanted in Sweden for the poisoning of his whole congregation. Out of forty persons who were poisoned about fourteen died from the effects of it. There now seems but little doubt that Hermans is one of the monsters of the country, and he is still at large.

A Swedish lady in Chicago who saw Hermans' picture after the exposure in Salt Lake, thought she recognized something familiar about the face and finally on looking over some old pictures, she came across the same face in a group of Swedish clergymen. The most startling part of the discovery was that the preacher was wanted for murdering fourteen persons in Sweden. He had been pastor of a church where the lady lived and had given poison to the church communicants. Forty became very sick and fourteen died. The preacher disappeared and his identity was lost until the lady claims she has discovered him in Hermans, who affected Butte people so favorably by the fervor of his preaching.

After he disappeared from his Swedish congregation it was found that he had an object in his fiendish work. It was found that he had been playing fast and loose with the female members of his flock and he feared exposure, so concluded to kill his congregation off and make a new start.

If the story is true it at once places him in the front rank of criminals without a parallel, and alongside of whom Holmes sinks into insignificance.

The Plan Developing.

The citizens of Safford are about ready to go before the people with their subscription list and petition to the Supervisors asking for the election for the removal of the county seat to be held.

We hope that every citizen of the county will consider this well and let all understand fully that the debt of the county will not be increased by the removal but on the contrary will be deminished by the increased valuation of property. We are in daily communication with people from a distance asking about our property in anticipation of this step being taken by the county. True, Safford will reap a great benefit if the county seat is brought here, but Graham county, on the other hand, will be able to boast of her county seat and can point to it with pride instead of making excuses for it.

The court house will probably be built on the plan of the Tombstone court house. Steps have already been taken to secure plans.

Down the Shaft.

An engineer named A. Ralston, in charge of the engine on the hoist at the Mammoth mine, Goldfield, fell into the 170 foot shaft Tuesday morning about 4 o'clock. He was running the night shift and it is supposed that while dumping the car he left the trap door over the mouth of the shaft open and somehow lost his footing. In falling he pulled the car in after him. It fell to within thirty feet of the bottom, where it lodged. The unfortunate man fell head first to the bottom. His neck and booth shoulders were broken. Two miners were in the shaft, but they were not hurt. Ralston has a sister in Coloma, California. She was telegraphed to and she wired back to bury the remains here. The coroner at Florence was notified, but he could not get to Goldfield to hold an inquest because of the Gila being up.—Mesa Free *Press*

Lares' Sentence Commuted.

"Sheriff Truman yesterday received from Governor Franklin a commutation of the sentence of Jesus Lares, who was setenced to be hung next Friday for the murder of John Doll. The Sheriff immediately started with his prisoner for Yuma, where he will spend the remainder of his natural life unless he receives further executive clemency. Laris' mother caused quite an affecting scene just before the party left the court house, and for the first time the prisoner weakened and shed tears."—Florence *Tribune*

This is the fellow who was convicted of the murder of old man Doll and his son, one of the most brutal murders in the history of the territory and we do not believe was worthy of executive clemency.

THE CELEBRATION.

The Program Carried Out Complete—A Day of Enjoyment.

Last Friday morning it looked as though the celebration of the Twenty-fourth would be a failure as the rain was pouring down, which continued until about 8:30, but about that time it ceased raining and the balance of the day was pleasant.

At 9 o'clock the procession at Thatcher was formed according to program headed by the brass band, which was followed by beautifully decorated floats prepared and occupied by representatives of, first, the Sunday school; second, the Young Ladies Mutual Improvement Association; third, Mutual Rights Association; fourth, the Primary Association, followed by twelve young ladies and twelve young gentlemen on horseback, dressed alternately in red and blue, and these were followed by a mixed procession of about thirty vehecles. After marching through the principal streets the procession was brought back to the bowery and the exercises commenced at about 11 o'clock, which consisted of speeches, recitations, songs and music.

A large crowd was present and everyone had a day of enjoyment.

The picnic was not as much a success as it would have been had it not rained and wet the grass.

In the afternoon all kinds of sports were indulged in, including all sorts of races and a ball game between two picked nines from Thatcher.

The day's celebration ended by a dance in Robinson's hall, which was attended by about seventy-five couple.

The day was one of enjoyment from beginning to end, and those who had charge are entitled to credit for the way in which everything was carried out.

Death in the Cloudburst.

The awful calamity at Morrison, at Golden and in Mount Vernon canon Col. has carried grief to many hearts. Probably thirty peasons—the exact number is not known at this writing—have been drowned in the torrents which swept down the canons, as the result of the cloudbursts along the base of the mountains. Most of these unfortunates were residents of Denver Most of them were women and children who were camping and enjoying a summer's outing. Many of them stood high in the social circles of the city and numbered many friends and acquaintances.

Never before in the history of the state has a storm claimed so many victims. Never has two whole families been wiped out by a single storm which burst over a resort section and sent its death bearing torrents down the canons. Never has damage to railroads and property and foot hill towns been so widspread. The storm's fury seems to have extended for 100 miles along the base of the mountains. But the loss of property, the delay of traffic, the injury to towns are nothing as compared to the loss of human life, and the anguish it has brought to hundreds of human hearts.

Tenderly indeed were the bodies taken to stricken homes. Tenderly were they be laid away to rest, amid the grief of loving hearts and the tears of sympathizing friends.

Two Lives Saved.

Mrs. Phoebe Thomas, of Junction City, Ill. was told by her doctors that she had consumption and that there was no hope for her, but two bottles Dr. King's New Discovery completely cured her and she says it saved her life. Mr. Thos Eggers 139 Florida St. San Francisco, suffered from a dreadful cold, approaching Consumption, tried without result everything else then bought one bottle of Dr. King,s New Discovery and in two weeks was cured. He is naturally thankful. It is such results, of which these are samples, that prove the wonderful efficacy of this medicine in Coughs and Colds. Free trial bottles at all Drug Stores also at General stores. Regular size 50c. and $1.00.

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TRIED TO ESCAPE.

Prompt Action Prevents a Murderer From Getting Away.

Last Wednsday evening as Jailor Schwerin was letting a couple of trusties out of jail the Mexican who murdered Marion Mitchell at Metcalf some weeks ago, made a break for liberty. He pushed by Mr. Schwerin and ran out of the court house. Before he could follow him the jailor was compelled to fasten the door to prevent the escape of other prisoners and then by the time he had procured a gun the Mexican was out of sight.

A number of men immediately joined in the search, with the sheriff and deputies. B. B. Adams started down one side of the Montezuma and W. B. Kelly and Frank Neese the other. When they had reached a point about 400 yards below town, Mr. Adams heard Mr. Kelly yell "I've got him Adams, I've got him, "come quick," and Mr. Adams did come quick" fording the canal, but the water did not quite reach to his neck.

When Mr. Adams arrived where the men were he found the Mexican laying in the thick brush at full length, with Mr. Kelly on his head and Mr. Neese sitting on his feet, and every few seconds Will would exclaime "if he moves, Frank, shoot him" and Frank imagined he had a gun and replied "I will, you bet," and then "sot" all the harder. The man was marched back to town and lodged in jail.

The murder for which this man is being held was cold blooded in the extreme and we are glad his attempt to escape was prevented.

There is some talk now of running Will for sheriff and when he is elected of course he will appoint Mr. Nese as under sheriff and Mr. Adams as jailor.

THIS YEAR'S TAXES.

What the County Assessment Roll Will Show.

Clerk F. G. Hughes, of the board of supervisors, is engaged in the preparation of an abstract of the assessment roll of Pima county, for the use of the territorial board of equalization. The roll is not yet complete but will be finished in a day or two. Work, however, has progressed far enough to show that the tax rate this year will be considerably higher than last year. There has been a decrease in the value of cattle amounting to about $60,000. At the June meeting of the territorial board of equalization, the assessment of the Southern Pacific in this county was reduced by $60,000, and a reduction of $20,000 was made in the valuation of the N. M. & A. railway in this county. Here is a shortage of taxes upon $140,000 worth of property to be made good to say nothing of a $10,000 deficit carried over from last year. This year's assessment shows a rather higher valuation upon real estate. Notwithstanding this though, it is estimated that the tax rate will be from $1.60 to $1.70. Last year it was $1.15.—*Star.*

Renegade Apaches.

Four miles above Hudson station on the Black Canyon road, in Billy Monroe's gulch a band of renegade Apaches are now camped. There are three bucks, five squaws and a papoose. They left the reservation at San Carlos several months ago and say they will never return, as they do not like to be where there are so many soldiers. These redskins have built little wickeups and they graze their ponies near by. Just beyond where they are camped is an almost unexplored reigon of nearly inaccessible mountain countary, just the place where these murderous Indians are wont to infest, and a regiment of soldiers could not dislodge them.—*Gazetee*

Good Pasture.

I have a pasture with all kinds of grasses and will pasture horses only, at $1.50 per head per month. Plenty of shade and water, at Graham. P. O. Petterson. tf.

Last summer one of our grand children was sick with a severe bowel trouble. Our doctor's remedies had failed, then we tried Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, which gave very speedy relief. We regard it as the best medicine ever put on the market for bowel complaints. —Mrs. E. G. Gregory, Fredericks town, Mo. This certainly is the best medicine ever put on the market for dysentery, summer complaint, colic and cholera infantum in children. It never fails to give prompt relief when used in reasonable time and the plain printed directions are followed. Many mothers have expressed their sincere gratitude for the cures it has effected. For sale by all dealers in medicine. *

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A GOOD MAN LAID TO REST.

M. H. Merill Died at 7 o'clock, a. m., at his Residence in Thatcher Last Sunday Morning.

INFLAMATION OF THE BOWELS THE CAUSE.

End of the Career of a Useful Man—Leaves a Wife and Ten Children, and a Host of Relatives and Friends to Mourn His Loss.

Not unexpected came the news last Sunday morning that Prest. M. H. Merrill, of Thatcher, was dead, as his death had been hourly looked for for the last two weeks. His sufferings during that time were beyond description, suffering death hourly, yet it came not. So great was his agony at times that it became almost unbearable to those who watched at his bedside. Several times during the latter part of his illness it was thought he was dying and the whole family was summoned to his beside, but each time he rallied only to endure greater suffering.

Mr. Merrill had not enjoyed good health for more than fifteen years. In his younger life he was in the stock business and took great delight in riding bucking horses, which finally resulted in breaking down his health. His final illness began about two months ago and Dr. Kane was called, and he labored incessantly and did all in his power to cure him. The family did not stop at employing one physician but also called in Drs. Lacey, Wightman and Wish, and everything known to modern medical science was employed in the case without avail.

For two days before his death he seemed to be improving, but on Saturday night those who were at his bedside knew the end was near. He called his wife to him and spoke encouraging words to her. He seemed to realize he was dying, but the only regret he expressed was that Mrs. Merrill would be left alone with so large a family. All night long a close watch was kept and just as the hands of the clock pointed to a quarter past seven Sunday morning, the soul of one of the most upright and best men of the community left its earthly tabernacle and soared to that eternal home beyond.

The funeral services were held in Robinson's hall which was filled to overflowing, there being more than one thousand people present to pay the last tribute of respect to him they loved so well.

The speakers at the service paid a most glowing tribute to the memory of President Merrill, some of them having known him intimately from chilhood, and it was there said that if ever a man had died whose examplary life had prepared him to meet his God that man was Henry Merrill. After the services fifty-four vehecles followed the remains to the Thatcher cemetry where they were interred in a vault.

Morgan Henry Merrill was born in Salt Lake City, Feb. 17, 1850, the second child of P. C. Merrill, of this place. He married Emma Perry at Salt Lake in 1869, and the next year located in Idaho, together with his father's family. In 1872 he moved back to Utah and in 1881 he moved to St. David, Arizona. Here he was made bishop of the ward in 1884 which position he held until 1889, when he was chosen second counselor to President Layton and moved to Thatcher, where he has lived ever since.

In 1867 Mr. Merrill drove an ox team from Salt Lake City to the Missouri river for the purpose of helping poor people immigrate to Utah, and did a great deal in assisting to settle portions of that state.

It can truly be said of him that his life has been a model one. He never used alchol in any form, tea, coffee or tobacco, and he always made it a study to meet every obligation on time as nearly as possible. He was a true husband and a loving father, his greatest anxiety being for the welfare of his family, and no one destitute was ever turned from the door of Henry Merrill.

He leaves a father, aged seventy-six, a mother, aged seventy-nine, nine living brothers, a wife and ten children and countless friends to mourn his demise, and his death will be keenly felt, not only by his immediate family and relatives, but by all who knew him.

The immediate cause of his death was turburcular inflamation of the bowels, with a complication of prostatitis.

The GUARDIAN extends its sympathy to the bereaved family in this their great trial, and in doing so expresses the sentiment of the entire community.

Hats for cowboys, grangers and dudes at John Blake & Co's. at prices to suit the times 3-27-tf.

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We demand the immediate restoration of the free and unlimited coinage of gold and silver at the present legal ratio of 16 to 1, without waiting for the aid or consent of any other nation. We demand that the standard silver dollar shall be a full legal tender, equally with gold, for all debts, public and private, and favor such legislation as will prevent the demonetization of any kind of legal tender money by private contract.

The wreathings of the gold bugs are pitiful to behold.

REPUBLICAN papers are telling us all the time of the democratic papers bolting the national democratic ticket, but they never say a word about the hundreds of republican papers bolting the republican ticket.

THE Lowell, Mass., *Sun*, heretofore strongly republican, has repudiated McKinley and the trust platform and hoisted the names of Bryan and Sewall. You can hear the tramp of the people's millions as they march along.

The gold-bugs are spending thousands of dollars each week in reckless gold-bug literature. If any argument was put forth it might be worth a person's time to read it, but as it all consists of abuse of those who believe in bimetalism, it is fit for nothing but the waste basket.

PREST. GARLAND has given out the statement that little difficulty is now apprehended in settling the right-of-way question through the Indian reservation and that construction work will commence on the line of the G. V. G. & N. in September and the road completed half way from Geronimo to Globe by the end of the present year.

Every person who has "taken up" land under the homestead or other laws should perfect the title to that land just as soon as possible. No delays, because the law may permit it, should be thought of. Land in this valley is becoming valuable, and it will not be long until we will have land sharks among us, who will not scruple at "jumping" people's homes if there is a "ghost of a show". Therefore, our advise is perfect your titles as early as possible.

GLOBE has again been visited by a terrible flood, the worst ever known in the history of the town. It occurred on Monday of last week, doing thousands of dollars worth of damage to business and private houses, washing some entirely away. It is reported that a man, woman and boy, strangers, traveling in a covered wagon, were swept away by the flood, together with their entire outfit. Globe has suffered, during its existence, more from flood than any town in Arizona; it has also suffered from fire, yet it is one of the most prosperous towns of the Territory. This speaks highly of the enterprise of its citizens.

FREE COINAGE.

The Nevada *Tribune* asks the question:

What would be the result if a silver president and congress were assured? And answers it as follows:

Let us see. First, silver would go up to above $1.20 an ounce as it did immediately after the passage of the Sherman act. That would lower the rate of exchange with silver standard countries one-half. In other words, the Mexican dollar would be worth 90 cents as against 57 cents now, and the Indian rupees would be worth 40 cents as against 20 cents now.

That would mean that the European wheat buyer who changes his gold sovereign into rupees to buy the wheat of India would only be returned twelve rupees for his sovereign instead of twenty-five, what he now receives. For fifty years the price of wheat in rupees has been about two and one-half rupees per bushel. The fluctuation in the price of silver has not affected the rupee price of wheat. When a gold sovereign can be exchanged for twenty-five rupees, it will buy in India ten bushels of wheat. So the wheat costs really in our money about fifty cents a bushel and this is the price which we must meet when we sell our wheat. But under free coinage, with the price of silver $1.2929, a gold sovereign will only exchange for twelve and one-half rupees, which would only buy in India five bushels of wheat. Hence the India price of wheat would be, reckoned in our money, one dollar a bushel.

Then the situation would be this: The European wheat buyer could only get five bushels of wheat for a sovereign, and we, knowing the fact, would not have to sell more than five bushels of wheat for a sovereign. This would mean dollar wheat for us. With cotton, the same conditions would be obtained. Cotton is in the same boat with wheat. The number of rupees a sovereign will buy determines the price of cotton. Cotton would go to fifteen cents a pound, or seven cents higher than it is now. This would make a difference of $34 a bale. Last year we produced 9,892,766 bales. Thus the prosperity of the cotton planters would be increased to the extent of $334,353,944 in one year.

Another thing before we turn to wheat. Last year we exported 6,630,272 bales of cotton to Europe. If we had sold them at fifteen cents per pound the balance of trade in 1895 would have been $301,997,548 in our favor instead of $75,568,200.

We produce yearly about 500,000,000 bushel of wheat. If it sold for a dollar a bushel instead of sixty cents, it would add to the prosperity of the wheat farmers $200,000,000 yearly. We export about 80,000,000 bushels per annum, which would swell the balance of trade $32,000,000 in our favor. Here are two items for study. You talk about waiting for an international agreement for silver coinage. Should wheat and cotton go to the prices mentioned, we would compel Europe to pay us each year for the cotton she buys of us $225,429,448 more than now, and for our wheat $32,000,000 more than now for the same quantity, a grand total of $257,000,000 per annum. Under these circumstances the problem in twenty years would be for Europe to keep her gold from coming to us, no longer for us to hold our own. We would in time become the creditor Nation of the world, since we were the agricultural storehouse of the world.

The stimulus of enterprise and industry given by dollar wheat, fifteen-cent cotton and $1.2929 silver exceeds the imagination to portray. Every silver mine of promise would be worked, every acre of land would be cultivated. These two direct results of free coinage would be the initiation of the greatest era of prosperity the world has ever seen.

THE Silver convention at St. Louis endorsed Wm. J. Bryan for president and Arthur Sewall for vice president. The silver convention and the populist convention appointed committees who conferred together before the endorsement was made in order to bring about the endorsement by both conventions, but no agreement had been reached up to the time the silver convention took action.

PRESS COMMENT.

We can stand an Eastern gold bug, but an Arizona goldbug is an abomination.—Mohave Co. *Miner*

One of the greatest political demonstrations ever had in the west was that at Salt Lake City ratifying the nomination of Bryan and Sewell. It was joined in by all parties.—Denver *News*.

When you find an alleged silver man, or a Populist who believes in nominating another ticket instead of Bryan, it is safe to conclude that Hanna knows his address.—Tempe *News*.

SPAIN is prepairing to send 40,000 additional troops to Cuba next month. At this rate the Spanish Government may surprise the world one of these days by frankly admitting that a state of war actually exists in that island.

The letter "a" occurs in the name of each president from Washington to Cleveland, except that of John Tyler. Bryan would make no exception to the rule. Keep the record intact so far as possible.—Provo *Utonian*.

THE floods in Fillmore, Kanosh, Meadow, Mercur, Eureka and elsewhere of the last few days have caused almost $300,000 damages, in fact the loss will never be known, and the saddest part is that it falls on the poorest class of people.—Wasatch (Utah) *Wave*.

James McMillan, secretary of the local committee to arrange for the irrigation congress, has gone to Los Angeles to confer with Secretary C. M. Hintz on the question of advertising the irrigation congress to be held here next December. Every possible effort will be put forth to make this, the fifth session, the most interesting yet held.—*Gazette*.

Friday of last week Mounted Inspector George Webb captured Juan Romero, a smuggler, on the line west of Nogales. He was disposed to resist and drew a revolver. Inspector Webb covered him with a Winchester and he immediately weakened. He was brought into town and Commissioner Taylor held him to appear before the U. S. grand jury.—*Osis*

The following figures regarding the wealth of the various nations are given by Prof. Mulhall, a prominent English statistician in the "Popular Science": Prussia, $25,445,000,000; Germany, $31,185,000,000: France, $42,000,000,000; England, $47,000,000,000; United States, $64,120,000,000. If figures don't lie, and they say they don't, we are unable to see by what reason the United States should not dictate its own financial course and what metal it should use for currency without the aid of some poorer nation than ourselves.—*Orb*.

In his speech recently from the balcony of the Coates house Mr. Bryan affirmed the doctrine that every man had a right to worship God according to the dictates of his own conscience, and this declaration, by the way, brought forth more applause than any other point in his address. Major McKinley is also opposed to the scheme of making sectarian strife a feature of the campaign. The idea that Americanism depends upon the rejection of a certain religious faith is not big enough to possess a country like the United States, and will never be.—Arizona *Republican*

If there was no other reason offered for statehood, save the fact it would stop this everlasting wrangling for the offices, by making officials responsible to the people for election, it ought to move congress to act in our behalf, as the gang of cormorants, who are keeping up the strife of friction, would be so hopelessly "in the soup" after election, they would all fly to some other region where they were not known, and thus relieve the territory of a very undesirable class of individuals, and there would be peace throughout the territory or state. Give us statehood that we may rid ourselves of this pest.—*Star*.

THE following is the sort of argument used by the gold-bugs in regard to the National Democratic convention.

"The abominable gang which has adopted this platform has forfeited the right to cooperate in the management of affairs of the Union. It would be idle to argue with the party which this convention pretends to represent upon the basis on which the Chicago convention enters into the campaign of 1896. Unless the minority defeated in Chicago proceed to form a new political organization there is in this campaign only one party for which an elector who does not want to support revolution can consistently vote, and this is the Republican party. If that party will, for a long time to come, be once more enthroned in power, it has nobody to thank but that same wretch and infamous caowds."—N. Y. *Staats Zeitung*

WE are in receipt of a letter from District Attorney Jones stating that he will probably arrive home to-morrow, by which time the entire delegation to the Chicago convention will have probably returned. These delegates are men of whom the entire people of Arizona can truly be proud. They stood up and worked by voice and vote, on all occasions for the cause of silver, voting unanimously, as a unit, at all times, with the bimetalic men. Such men as these can be trusted, and these lieing dispatches sent to Arizona concerning some of the delegates becoming traitors to the great cause will fail to bear fruit. Such sturdy men as we sent to that convention never become traitors. Their names are, Hugh E. Campbell, Wm. H. Barnes, J. F. Wilson, W. H. Burbage, J. L. B. Alexander, and Wiley E. Jones.

It is amusing to see the tender solicitude of republicans for the Hon. Richard Parks Bland, on account of his defeat at Chicago. Mr. Bland does not need sympathy from any source, and least of all from men who have for years charged him with being the advocate of a dishonest dollar. No man had a mortgage on the nomination of the democratic party, and Mr. Bland fully appreciated that fact when, before the convention assembled, he authorized Governor Stone to withdraw his name when it became apparent that a majority of the delegates favored another nomination. The decision not to nominate Mr. Bland was not due to any lack of appreciation of his splendid character and services, but to a feeling that Mr. Bryan had more elements of successful leadership and personal popularity than any other candidate before the convention.—*Plaindealer*.

JUDGE BARNES' RETURN.

East, West, North and South for Bryan and Sewell.

Judge W. H. Barnes returned yesterday morning from Chicago, the first of the Arizona delegates to the democratic national convention to bring back a more complete account of that great gathering than the newspapers afforded. He held a levee all day attended by not only democrats but hardly less enthusiastic silver republicans.

Judge Barnes is confident of the election of Bryan whom he regards as a man especially raised up to champion the cause of the masses at this critical period as Lincoln was brought forward to meet the direct national emergency that had then occurred since the foundation of the republic. He believes that the cause of the people will be vindicated by the most overwhelming majority. The silver sentiment is all pervading. At first a cloud no larger than a man's hand is hung only in the west. It has spread until it has overcast the nation, east and west and north and south.

The demand for free coinage at first made by farmers and laborers in rural communities has been taken up by merchants and manufacturers and every day becomes more urgent in the cities.

The question, says Judge Barnes, has changed from "What states can Bryan carry?" to "What states will he fail to carry?" There are many sure for him, enough to elect. Every other state may be classed as a doubtful one.

It was feared that the enthusiasm which prevails in the west was local because the west is more vitally interested in the success of the silver ticket. The judge says though that the same degree of enthusiasm is prevalent everywhere, particularly in the great and populous Mississippi states.—*Star*.

BRYAN BEATS THEM ALL.

Drummer of a Goldbug Firm Pays a Compliment.

E. B. Chapman, representing a large St. Louis grocery house, is at the St. James hotel. Mr. Chapman says he has known Bryan, the Democratic nominee for president, nine years. "I know this much about Bryan," said he last evening. "They can't haul money enough on a freight train to influence him. He will carry Nebraska and every state west of Ohio. The people are turning to him as they turned to Abraham Lincoln at the time of the war. He is a moral, mental aud physical giant. He uses neither tobacco nor liquor and never swore an oath in his life. At the same time he is the most liberal religious man I ever met. I have heard all the great orators of the country for twenty years past, but Bryan outstrips every one of them. I was in St. Louis when Bryan started for Kansas City recently on his way home. He was offered a special car by three railroads but he declined them all, and I saw him pay for railway tickets for himself and family. He will be the next president.—Denver *News*.

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Stand by Your Friends.

The following correspondence to the *Star* indicates the sentiment of the Arizona people in regard to silver. This suggestion, carried out, would certainly be very effective in fighting the gold bugs:

"TUCSON, Ariz., July 17, '96.

EDITOR STAR:—Under the existing circumstances, don't you think we, as the friends of the silver cause, are digging our own graves, financially speaking, by supporting papers which antagonize our cause? Myself for one, being for silver first, last and all the time, will not contribute to the support of any paper which supports the gold standard. My advice to all supporters of the silver cause and the prosperity of the laboring class, is to adopt the same policy, from the British possessions to Mexico. By so doing they will feel the effect forcibly. Respectfully,

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This is the natural home of alfalfa, of which from 4 to 5 crops are grown yearly, yielding from 5 to 8 tons per acre. It is not as stocky as that which comes from the Salt River valley and is preferable for either horses or cattle.

Wheat, barley and oats grow prolificly, the former containing a very large amount of nutrition. Yellow dent, white gourd and other large varieties of corn yield productively, vegetables are large and solid and come to maturity two months earlier than in the eastern and middle states.

The valley and hill lands are adapted to all of the products of the temperal zone, and many of the fruits of the semi-tropical countries. The apples equal in size and flavor the prize winners of the eastern states. The seedling fruits are unexcelled in size and general excellence. Apricots and apples both grow with a surprising rapidity. The peaches in appearance and taste are identical with those which come from the famous orchards of New Jersey.

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Farming lands can be purchased at from $50 to $100 per acre, including improvements and water rights.

Uncultivated land without water right is free to any settler under the United States homestead law. This class of farms will eventually become valuable when the canal facilities have been increased.

The cost of maintaining the canals which are owned by the farmers varies from 30 cts. to $1.00 per acre per year.

The following are the market values of the products of the soil at the ranch, there being ready sale for everything raised in the valley.

Wheat	$1.35 per cental.
Barley	1.25 " "
Corn	1.00 " "
Hay	6.00 to $8 per ton.
Hogs	4 cts per pound
Apples	5 " " "
Potatoes	3 " " "
Cattle from	$11 to $18 delivered in Safford.
Milk cows	$25.00 to $30.00

There is at present about 118 miles of irrigating canals and main ditches, not including the latteral ditches which will make the total several times this amount. This gives ample water to assure crops for about 45,000 acres. When the Enterprise canal is finished it will water several thousand acres of rich table and bottom land. It has been estimated that a quarter of million acres of additional land could be irrigated if storage dams were built. This could be done in several places, notably at the narrows about 18 miles from Safford where a box canyon exists through which the river passes. It is from this point the Enterprise company are building their canal.

Graham county covers an area of 7,000 square miles.

The Gila valley is 35 miles from the narrows to the edge of the reservation, with an average width of bottom lands of two miles, the distance between the foot hills being six miles. The valley is flanked on the north by the Gila mountains and on the south by the Graham mountains, Mount Graham being the highest peak, with an altitude of ten thousand feet above sea level.

Although but little prospecting has been done in either the Gila or Graham mountains, the few properties which have been developed show that the ore body is practically inexhaustable; while copper predominates, there is both gold and silver in paying quantities It is a virgin field for both the minor and captaltist and one which promises grand results.

The two principal mining companies are the Detroit, at Morenci, and the Arizona Copper Company, at Clifton. The former employes 300 men and the latter 600.

The output of the Arizona comp, any is 20 tons of copper per day and of the Detroit about 10 tons per day. These two companies alone pay out for labor about $600,000 annually.

Experts are at present prospecting near Saffoad for coal.

There are twenty-five schools, and one Academy in Graham county. The examination for teachers is very strict; only those who are thoroughly qualified being able to procure certificates. 12 churches of different denominations look after the spiritual welfare of the community. Society is as refined here as in any of the old eastern cities.

The National Committee.

The following is the national democratic committee, as completed at the close of the convention:

Alabama—H. D. Clayton.
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West Virginia—J. T. McCraw.
Wisconsin—E. C. Wall.
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NOTICE.

—OF—

A New Registration of Voters in Graham County, Territory of Arizona.

Public notice is hereby given that at the regular April meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Graham county, Arizona, held pursuant to law, the following order was made and duly entered on the records of said Board, on the 10th day of April, 1896:

"On motion the Board ordered that a registration of the electors of Graham county be had as required by law, previous to the election in November, 1896, to begin from and after the first day of May, 1896, and that due publication of the order be made as required by law."

Registering officers and all concerned are hereby instructed to take notice hereof and be governed accordingly.

Registration will close twenty days before the day of election. Election held on Tuesday the 3d day of November 1896.

By order of the Board of Supervisors of Graham county.

M. LEON Clerk

H. L. SMITH, Deputy Clerk.

PROPOSALS FOR WOOD.

Bids for furnishing 60 cords mesquite wood (one half dry and one half green) to be cut in 4 foot lengths and delivered and properly corded in the court yard at Solomonville, will be received at this office up to 10 o'clock a. m. August 24th, 1896.

By order of the Board of Supervisors.

MANUEL LEON, Clerk.

by H. L. SMITH, Deputy Clerk.

NOTICE OF SCHOOL ELECTION.

Notice is hereby given that a school election will be held at the school house in School District No. One, County of Graham, Territory of Arizona, on the 8th day of August, 1896, for the purpose of submitting to the tax-payers of said district whether the bonds of said school district shall be issued and sold to the amount of Five Thousand, Five Hundred ($5,500.00) dollars for the purpose of building a school house in said school district, supplying the same with furniture, necessary apparatus, and improving the grounds, and of liquidating any indebtedness already incurred for such purpose.

That the denomination of said bonds shall be five hundred dollars; that the rate of interest such bonds shall bear is seven per cent., interest payable annually; that the number of years said bonds are to run shall be twenty years from the date of their issue; that the hours during the 8th day of August, 1896, when the polls of said election will be open are from nine o'clock in the forenoon until five o'clock in the afternoon of said day; and that the names of the judges who will conduct such election are as follows, to-wit: Jas. R. Lassator, Cris. Madsen, Frank Michael.

Dated this 15th day of July, 1896.

JOHN J. BIRDNO,
T. T. HUNTER,
JAMES MORRIS,
Trustees of said School District No. 1, Graham County, Arizona.

THE APACHE RENEGADES.

Facts Told by One Who Knows Their Haunts and Habits.

Ed. C. Montgomery, the noted guide and scout, was in Globe the present week. He entered the government service in 1869, under Colonel McKenzie, of the Fourth cavalry, at Fort Richardson, Tex., and although not constantly in the government employ, his life since has been spent amongst the Indians in Texas, New Mexico and Arizona, and the scars of arrow and bullet wounds on his body bear witness to the many exciting encounters with Indians in which he participated.

Mr. Montgomery is familiar with Apache history, and was personally acquainted with nearly all the great war chiefs of the past twenty years, under whose leadership the Apaches have from time to time devastated New Mexico and Arizona. He went to Sonora, Mexico, on a secret mission and penetrated far into the wilds of the Sierra Madre, where he learned many facts about the band of renegade Chiricahus, whose forays in Sonora and southeastern Arizona, the past few years, have been so destructive of life and property.

Mr. Montgomery states positively that the Kid, the most dreaded of all the Apache desperadoes, has cast his lot with the Yaquis and is one of the sub-chiefs of that tribe. He is a man of family, having two squaws and three children. He claims that the Kid has not been in Arizona for several years and that there is no probability of his ever returning. Masse, he says, is the Apache Ishmaelite and the most dangerous Indian in the whole southwest. He does not associate with the other renegades and is always alone, except when he takes a notion to steal a squaw, who is as suddenly discarded when she becomes a burden to him. Many of the murders attributed to the Kid during recent years were in reality the work of Masse.

The band of renegades who make their rendezvous in the Sierra Madre number eight Chiricahuas and one White Mountain, together with their families, and, according to Colonel Sumner, they have been joined by ten young bucks from the San Carlos reservation. For the past two or three years they have recruited their women from the Mexican villages raided. They have a number of camps in the Sierra Madre, variously located from 100 to 200 miles below the American line, and they seldom remain long in one place. Their main rancheria is supposed to be 200 miles south of the boundry line, on the southwestern slope of the Sierra Madre, on a fork of the Yaqui river. The Sierra Madre proper are about 400 miles long by 60 miles wide, consisting of a plateau similar to the Mogollon mountains, but fully 1000 feet higher, heavily timbered, and cut by deep ravines, almost impenetrable and in which the Indians make their camps. The Mexican rurales, accustomed to mountain trails, have never been able to follow the renegades into their strongholds, and it is a safe prediction that Uncle Sam's troops, strangers to the country and not so well equipped for hard service as the Mexicans, will meet with failure in their present expedition.

The capture or extermination of the renegade Apaches seems almost a hopeless undertaking and certainly will never be accomplished so long as Indian scouts are employed as guides, for in every instance where they have been employed, in the history of Apache warfare, they have proved traitors. The only practicable plan to prevent the incursions of the renegades into Arizona is to establish a cordon of troops along the line and guard the principle passes in southeastern Arizona.—Globe *Belt*.

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FRIDAY JULY 31, 1896.

LATE EDITORIAL.

THE SITUATION.

There appears to be considerable misapprehension as to the method of electing a president, says the Rocky Mountain News. Under the system in vogue it would not assist Bryan in the least to be a candidate on the Populist ticket and also on the Democratic ticket, unless the parties in the various states came to an agreement to vote for the same electors. For instance, if there were one set of electors named by the Populist and another by the Democrats and a third by the Republicans, even though the Democrat and Populist electors were both pledged to Bryan, the practical effect would be to divide his strength and let the McKinley men run between. Herein is where the difficulty arises from the nomination by the Populists of Watson instead of Sewall. Had they nominated Bryan and Sewall instead of Bryan and Wstson, it would have been an easy matter to secure an agreement on electors. But with different candidates for vice-president an agreement on electors is manifestly impossible.

At this distance from the center of action it is impossible to accurately measure the situation or plans entertained by those who have been earnestly fighting for union of all the silver forces. The reports indicate that Senator Allen exerted the power of his position to prevent any discussion of Mr. Bryan's attitude, and that at the close a resolution was adopted which equips the national committee with plenary power to act in the event of there being a vacancy on the ticket or in other emergency. This was thought to point toward the possibility of Mr. Watson's declination of the honor of a nomination, but left the situation so complicated that there were a number of turns which affairs might take.

Moderate men thought that both might retire and a compromise candidate for vice-president be agreed upon by the national committees, but it may well be doubted if such a proceeding would not have an ill effect. Other plans have been suggested, such as an agreement upon electors pledged to vote for the vice-presidential candidate of the party showing the most strength in a state, but it can scarcely be believed that such a proposition is feasible.

The leaders have a hard task before them, and we can only hope that they may find the solution which will bring the largast number of votes to the support of free coinage.

The liars who say that Mr Bryan and his supporters are anarchists should recollect that Herr Most, the worst of anarchists, has declared himself in favor of McKinley and the gold standard.

The coat of arms of the McKinleys bears the motto, "Not too much". When the voters are asked to make William McKinley president in November they will shorten the motto into "Not much".

THE Populist convention at St. Louis last week nominated Wm. J. Bryan for President, and Thos. E. Watson, of Georgia, vice-president. Whether or not Mr. Bryan will accept the nomination without the indorsement of his running mate, Mr. Sewell, cannot be determined until he has been officially notified by the Populist party.

If free coinage is not a good thing, why does the republican party want to obtain free coinage through an international conference? If free coinage is a bad thing why does the republican party want it at all? and why does it admit that it is a good thing by claiming that the party is attempting to bring it about through an international agreement? If free coinage is a good thing, why wait for the action of other governments? Our fathers did not wait for the permission of England to open the mints of the United States to the equal coinage of the two metals, and why should seventy millions of people admit their incapacity to govern themselves by calling upon Grert Britain to legislate for the United States?—*Silver Knight.*

The Louisville *Courier-Journal*, one of the leading papers of Kentucky has been boycotted in several localities in that state, together with the *Times* and *Post*. These papers are traitors to the Democratic nominees and the Democratic platform, and the people do not propose to support a Judas, and will, therefore, kill their circulation as far as possible.

The Vendetta.

The bitterness of the vendetta of local Chinese merchants was shown last Sunday in San Frrncisco in the arrival of warlike preparations of thirteen of the most notorious hatchet men in the state. The appearance of these highbinders and the announcement that the price placed upon the heads of Joe Gar and Lee Mee Toy had been increased $1000 created the greatest excitement in the district. The news spread rapidly.

It is claimed that the highbinders were taken to that city by Lee Yip Duch, the Chinese merchant and gambler, who instigated the expulsion of the proscribed merchants from their society and at whose door is placed the blame for all the disturbance, including the murder of the Chinese clam-digger.

Four Chinese have reported to the authorities that they overheard a conversation in which Lee Yip Duch guaranteed to pay $1000 for the life of either Joe Gar or Lee Toy. These men are willing to swear to their statement, and insist that a series of new murders is being planned. Most of the Chinese highbinders who have arrived in the city are from Fresno. They belong to the Bow On Tong, the most notorious and most powerful highbinder society in the state. Among its members are the most desperate Chinese criminals in California.

Lost or Deserted Which?

Jeremiah Ryan, a private of Troop K, of the Seventh Cavalry, while under the influence of liquor, wandered away from camp on July 1st, since which time nothing has been heard of him. Whether he has met death or deserted the service is what is uppermost in the minds of his fellow troopers at present. A detachment of four men were out for four days hunting for him but conld not find the slightest trace. He had served eight years in the army and was greatly respected by officers and men.—Bisbee *Orb*

PROPOSALS.

Sealed proposals will be received for the building of a Room with vault, addition to the Court House at Solomonville, on and before the 24th day of August, 1896, on which day bids will be opened.

Parties desiring to bid for same may examine plans and specifications by applying to the Clerk of the Board.

The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

By order of the Board of Supervisora.

MANUEL LEON, Clerk.

Solomonville, Ariz., July 28th, 1896.

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THE road to Cluff's saw mill is chartered and on record, and all the requirements, for making it a toll road have been complied with. The following prices will be charged Team and wagon $1. 50 saddle horses 25 cts. loose stock 15 cts. Any one using this road without paying the toll will be violating the law and will be dealt with accordingly.

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Official Proceedings

—OF THE—

BOARD OF SUPERVISRS

—OF—

Graham County, Arizona.

SOLOMONVILLE, Arizona,
July 21, 1896.

The Board of Supervisors met pursuant to adjournment.

Present: F. W. Hayes and A. H. Bennett Supervisors; Manuel Leon Clerk.

Absent Henry Hill, chairman.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Board spent the day examining the county Records.

Adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock a. m., July 22d, 1896;

A. H. Bennett,
Chairman; pro tem.

Attest: MANUEL LEON,
Clerk.

SOLOMONVILLE, Arizona,
July 22, 1896.

The Board of Supervisors met pursuant to adjournment.

Present: A. H. Bennett, F. W. Hayes, members, Manuel Leon, clerk.

Absent Henry Hill, chairman.

S. J. Sims appeared before the Board and protested against the raise of his assessment for the present year. It being proven to the satisfaction of the Board that such assessment was excessive, it was on motion ordered that a reduction be made as follows: On dwelling house from $1000 to $700, on 47 acres of land from $500 to $250.

It having been brought to the attention of the Board that Mrs L. L. McCormick is a widdow and entitled to the exemption of the law on widows, it was ordered that her assessment be reduced from $1900.00 to $900.00.

Having been proven to the satisfaction of lhe Board that the raise of the Champion Cattle company to 2000 head of cattle on last year's assessment was excessive, it is hereby ordered that the same be reduced from 2000 head to 1600.

The Board adjourned at 5 o'clock p. m. to meet on July 23rd, 1896.

A. H. Bennett,
Chairman, pro tem.

Attest: MANUEL LEON.
Clerk.

SOLOMONVILLE, Arizona,
July 23, 1896.

The Board of Supervisors met pursuant to adjournment.

Present: A. H. Bennett, F. W. Hayes members, Manuel Leon Clerk.

Absent Henry Hill, chairman.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Board made the following estimate of the current expenses of Graham county government for six months of the current year ending December 31st, 1896.

Expenses of District Court	$ 2000 00
Expenses of the Justices court	1200 00
Expenses of the court house and jail	1000 00
Expenses of the Assessors office	900 00
Expenses of the Sheriff's office	3000 00
Expenses of the District Attorney's office	1250 00
Expenses of the county poor	300 00
Expenses of the county hospital	500 00
Expenses of the county printing and stationary	800 00
Expenses of the salary of county officers	3550 00
Incidentals	200 00
Total	15,300 00

On motion duly made and carried, it is ordered that the county Treasure transfer from the general fund any moneys now in said fund or that may hereafter be received into said fund not to exceed the sum of $15300.00 to the expense fund for the purpose of meeting and paying the current expenses as hereinbefore estimated upon warrents drawn against said fund.

The Board adjourned until July 25th, 1896, at 9 o'clock a. m.

A. H. BENNETT,
Chairman pro tem.

Attest: MANUEL LEON,
Clerk.

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